Two Entrances to Miller & Rhoads' Broad St., Sixth St

THE WEATHER-Thursday fair.

Useful Christmas Presents for Little Folks



Boys and Girls, Red. Blue and White-military or white pearl buttons. They look and fit on the child just as well as they appear in the picture

\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.76

nd Velvet, 50c each.

Elderdown wool in White, Pink and White and Blue and White, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00.



and stripes.

Silk and wool, 75c.

Very trim jaunty

headgear for cold

All silk, \$1.00.

sters warm. All wool The all wool kind, 25c in White and Black. The machine knit Leggins, 50c pair. Hand knit, 75c and

> Elderdown in Red and Gray, 690 Rippled Elderdown, \$1.00, \$1.39.

Bath Robes of Rippled Elderdown trimmed with satin, wool girdle,

LAST OF THE OLD

Play Goes to the Academy Tomorrow and Saturday. Minstrels To-day.

formance to-night, and it will not again be used as a place of amusement. For tions has been great, and while they have ot all been up to the standard set by ot all been up to the standard set by anager McKee, it was through no fault his or Mr. Wells. It is not possible to the class of attractions wanted every me, but in the main the place has aftered ample opportunity to see the best mose possible for popular prices. "On Thanksgiving Day" will be seen at the matines to-day and again at the night afformance. That will end the career the old Bijou. The same play will, be seen here the rest of the cek, moving down to the Academy for riday and Saturday matinee and Saturday and Saturday matinee and Saturday in the same and Saturday might.

The New Bijou.

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Ananger Wells and Manager Kee, of the Bijou, have completed argements for the opening of the new by with a special matinec Christmas.

"Running for Office" is to have the inction of being the first play to be in the new house. It is one of the res M. Cohan plays, and the cast is to be an unusually strong one. The will be seen here all the week with usual matinees on Tuesday, Thursday Saturday, in addition to the night cormances. It is a musical frivolity a numerous girls, pretty music, good eddians and a general frolic of fun. Is for the new Bijou can be had at the Bijou until Monday.

The Minstrels.

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"Monsieur Beaucaire."

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Rarely has a book play achieved such stupendous success as has fallen to the lot of "Monsieur Beaucaire." Irresistibly a comedy romance, in which Creston Clarke will make his return to Richmond noxt Monday, mathree and night. It will perhaps be recalled that Richard Mansfield found in Booth Tarkington's novel the right sort of material for his personal advantage, and his Beaucaire proved a genuine revelation. Creston Clarke, who has so ably succeeded him in the role, is meeting with equally good fortune. After abandoning Shakespeare, for the present at least, Mr. Clarke, son of John Sleeper Clarke, and nephew of Edwin Booth, sought far and wide, so as to give the same kind of opportunities which established him as a legitimate star of the first magnitude, and in accepting Beaucaire he evidently made no mistake. It will be a genuine pleasure to welcome both this deserving star and so excellent a play.

RUSH FOR SEATS.

Demand for Tickets for Open-

Demand for Tickets for Opening of New Bijou.

The box office opens to-day for the gale of scats for next week's production at the new Bijou. While no tickets have been sold yet, Treasurer Biair Meanley has almost been swamped with orders that have been received at the box office. Of course, the new theatre will be tested to its capacity at both afternoon and evening performances next Monday. This is, already evident from the great demand for scats. It is quite certain that hundreds of people will not be able to gain admission to the Bijou at the opening performances.

ing performances.
The front of the box office at the Bliou to-day is going to be as crowded as a bar-gain counter in a department store. Workmen are busy at the new theatre, and everything will be ready for the open-ing.

MR. STRUDWICK CHOSEN.

Well Known Business Man First Vice-President S. A. L. I. Co.

Mr. Edmund Strudwick was yeaterfully elected first vice-president of the South Atlantic Lafe Insurance Company, to all the held to-morrow night to all the North Carroline but has resided in North Carroline but has residuated but h

PRETTY ENTERTAINMENT

The Santa Claus Club's Efforts a Decided Success.

A very pretty entertainment, was given at the Main Street Station Railroad Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night for the benefit of the Church Hill Santa Claus Club. Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Perkins rendered plano and trombone ducts; Miss Hazel Herbert santa a sole. Miss Ida Lee Alley Tayer. sang a solo; Miss Ida Lee Allen gave a recitation; little Miss Eanes, prettlly cos tumed, pantonimed "My Fatth Looks up to Thee" (Master Ton Bickers, vocal accompanist), little Misses Parker and Haynes played a plano duct, and little Milss Parker and Master Lawrence Peers recited Santa Claus selections very cutely. The second part of the programme was filled by Mr. W. L. Balles, in his inimita-ble minstrel selections, that kept the

WICKHAM FOR SENATE.

Rumored That Former Judge Will Enter the Race.

It is rumored throughout Henrico county that former Judge T. Ashby Wickham will be a candidate for election to the State Semate from that county.

Up to this time Judge Wickham hamade no announcement, but many of his friends state that he will certainly be in the race. Whether he will have any opposition or not is unknown, as the election is far off and the campaign has no yet opened.

tion is fire of and the comparing has not yet opened.

This will be the first time that Henrico has had an opportunity of voting for her representative in the Senate without the vote from Richmond city.

Judge Wickham is extremely popular in the county and has many supporters, and doubtless, should be enter the race for the senatorship, he will make a splendid the

NEEDHAM DISCHARGED.

Man Accused of Glaze Robbery Establishes His Innocence.

W. T. Needhan, young man who was arrested on the charge of having been implicated in the hold up of Humphrey Glaze which occurred near Fair Oaks on Friday night list, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday and was discharged.

The cytdence in the case favored the prisoner, and after hearing witnesses, 'Squire George W. Thomps, who was sitting in the case, discharged the prisoner. He was represented by Attorney Edgar B. English.

The robbery of Glaze has caused great interest, and the county heeple are may purpling their brains to find out who committed the robbery.

The county supporting will do their best to The county authorities will do their best to land the highwaynan.

Mr. Howard Herrick Here.

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Mr. Howard Herrick, fornerly dramatic critic of the Richmond Times, was in the city yesterday in advance of Elizabeth Kennedy, who plays an engagement at the Academy next Wednesday. This is Mr. Herrick's first visit to Richmond since he left here over two years ago to engage in theatrical work, in which he has been most successful. Miss Kennedy, whose interests he is looking after this senson, is most favorably known here, and her forthcoming engagement at the Academy, when she will appear in the title role in 'Magda,' will be her third visit to Richmond since she has been starring.

of the Diocese of Western Australia, is spending a few Weeks with his brother. Mr. A. S. Groser, of Barton Heights, Canon Groser left his far away home last June, spending a month in England convention of the Episcopal Church in Boston, Mass., and visiting relatives in Boston, Walley and Charles and Visiting relatives in Boston, and Walley a

Damages Against Bostock.

To Approve Pay-Rolls.

A meeting of the Health Committee will be held to-morrow night to approve the poy-rolls of the various divisions of the city government under that com-

STRIKING SCENES IN BUSY SHOPPING DISTRICT



Broad Street Thronged With People Buying Christmas Presents.

COUNTRY COUSINS IN TOWN

Bogus News Boys Beg for Charity-Telling Piteous Stories

on many a painful parting with the hard carned coin of the realm on the expression of sorrow showed in the faces gled good naturedly in the great ba-

Crowds thronged the streets on yester-day, all on purchase bent, and all full of anticipation of the give and take of

It was a holiday crowd in very earnes with none of the marks of class and caste; every one a Santa Claus in heart

caste; every one a santa claus in near and fancy.

The poor woman struggling to buy simple toys for the little ones, was just awearnest and just as full of generous thoughts as her licher sister, whose carriage was laden down with costly presents

One canny small girl was expending all her savings in the purchase of a gor-geous doll for her father's Christmas After all, the thought is every-

There is a pathetic side of life to be seen in the shopping district. There are There is a pathetic side of life to be seen in the shopping district. There are poor children, boys and girls, who stand and stare into the windows filled with all the toys that bring delight to the youthful heart. The rapt gaze of these children, full of longing without envy, full of desire without thought of attainment, would melt a heart of stone.

Around the hotels and banks are swarms of begus newsboys, each with a cigar box, and each pleading piteously for a contribution. The story of the widowed mother and the horde of infant brothers

hand upon the family timeplece. What a story of Arabian nights, like splendor will be told round many a country sta-tion stove and at many a village sewing

Toys and presents are all well enough in their way, but Christmas dinner is the great anticipated eyent. The oyster and the turkey, a somethine

Officers Elected and Plans Making for Anniversary.

At a meeting of the Leigh Street Baptist Sunday-school held last Sunday, the following officers were elected to direct the affairs of the school during the next year: Superintendent, E. C. Garrison: Assistant Superintendent, Frank L. Butler; Superintendent Primary Work, Abner C. Goode: Teacher in Primary Department, Miss Core Editori; Organist in Primary Department, Miss Core Editori; Organist in Primary Department, Mrs. Eva Gary; Secretary of Main School, F. R. Butler; Assistant Secretary, Wortley Dickie; Tresaurer, H. W. Cottrell; Assistant Treasurer, James W Gates; Librarian, R. E. Winfree; Assistant Librarians, E. S. Shnpson, C. R. Winfree, W. O. Goode and John C. Goode; Plantist in Main School, Mrs. Laura Wajson; Monitor, J. M. Godsey; Library Committee—James C. Harwood, Abner C. Goode, Berkeley Goode, Miss Camilla Dickerson, Miss Helen Fleet.

This Sunday-school will celebrate its fifty-first anniversary Monday, December 26, 1904, at which itoe Sania Claus will be on hand to see the little folks in person, and distribute good things and gifts. It is, particular grafifying to residents of Church Hill to have the Sunday-school ilbrary of Leigh Street is being used by numbers of families who have no other library to draw from. In the four weeks that the work of this character has been conducted, the average has been about twelve books issued per night, and in a recent statement from the librarian it was shown that in proportion to its facilities the work here has assumed broad-

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er shape than was ever dreamed in the beginning.
Recently Sunday-sevool interest meetings were held, and at the last one Mr. John P. Kennedy, State librarian, made a very forceful address on the "Advantages of Libraries," in connection with his remarks, stating that of seventeen public libraries in Richmond, which, in his judgment, are doing first-class work, Leigh Street was knoored as being one of these. Especial attention next year will be paid to the development of this work on Church Hill, and while nominally the library is known as that of Leigh Street brary is known as that of Leigh Street Baptist, it is the wish of those who have the work under charge that any and all may feel welcome to the advantages of-

NEW BRIDGE PLANS.

Street Committee to Consider Amended Proposition.

Amended Proposition.

At the next meeting of the Street Committee it is quite likely that a report will be considered, coming from the subcommittee on the proposed new bridge over Mayo's Island to supplant the present

Mayo's Island to supplant the present Mayo's Bridge.

The plans, which the committee in been considering, provide for a twenty-six foot roadway and two walkways of six feet each, at a cost of \$115,000, approximately. This would make an upto-date bridge of concrete.

The bridge question has been held up for some time, owing to prevailing financial conditions, but both the Richmond and Manchester Councils, are willing to pay their shares of the cost. The city acress the river feels that the construction of a new free bridge will mean much for that section, and for some time the Council has been ready to meet Richmond half way.

City Engineer Cutshaw will examine the plans as submitted, and will be ready

TUCKER MAY RUN.

Former Congressman May Become Candidate for Governorship come Candidate for Governorship

For some time there has been more on
less talk in local political circles of the
possibility of Hon. H. St. George Tucker
becoming a candidate for the Democratic
gubernatorial nomination at the primary
next August or September. While no
direct statement from Mr. Tucker himself is available, it was generally understood by friends of Attorney-General Anderson when he announced his candidacy for renomination for Attorney-General that Mr. Tucker would not be a candidate for the governorship. Major Anderson, it is said, deferred the announcement of his candidacy for renomination
until assured that Mr. Tucker would not
be an aspirant for the governosship. Ac-

PROSPECTS BRIGHT.

Wall Street Financier Linns Stocks Will Rise. A prominent New York Stock Exchange ouse wired their Richmond friends yes

Toys and presents are all well enough in their way, but Christmas dinner is the great anticipated eyent.

The oyster and the turkey, a sometime stranger, will become a familiar friend to rich and poor alike and those who do not have a goodly Christmas dinner are those who will not ask for it.

Like the fat boy in Pickwick who rested head upon a barrel of cysters, placed his arm around a cod-fish and went fast askeep, 'all Richmond is happy in the thought of pleuty.

LEIGH STREET SCHOOL.

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Gave a Generous, Sum.

The Crizens' Relief Association has received the generous amount of \$11.25, which was donated by the employees of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. This money, with all other received by the Citizens' Relief Association, will be expended with much care, to the wind that the groutest good to the most deserving may be done.

Domestication Papers.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch)

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 21.—Domestication papers for the Louisville and Nash-ville Balliroad Company, chartered under the laws of Kentucky, were filed to-day, the proceedings being in compliance with chapter (2, public laws of 1809, known as the "Craig Act."

The capital stock of the corporations is \$1,000,000.

Everybody seems to be at sea as to why this step is taken, as the company has no trackage in North Carolina and no known plans for acquiring any.

If You Are in Doubt Look at the

Beautiful La Valliers and Testoons,

\$8,50 to \$200,00 at Lumsden's, 781 Main Street.

NEXT TO RESIGN

of the Blues, Would Resign.

Officers Forced to Quit on Account, of Business Engagements-Armory Wanted.

Company B, of the Richmond Light drill last night, and before the company was dismissed. Second Lieutenant R. N informed his men of his intention of handing in his resignation at a near date.

could be accomplished at once.

He expressed his regrets at having

Spanish American war, at which he was a sergeant.

It is his intention to flie his resignation with Major Cheatwood within the next few days. There is considerable doubt about its being accepted, owing to the

A member of the battallon said last night:

"The command is one that has represented the State and city on many occasions, both in time of peace and in time of riot and trouble. At this time it is certainly a well known fact that it is no casy matter to induce young men to enfor the State militia, and one-would think that it would be advisable to offer some inducements for them to do so.

"The Blues at present are quartered on the fifth floor of the Williams building at Ninth and Cary Streets. The present armory is most inadequate, and has no conveniences whatever. It is said that there is a move on foot whereby some action will be taken towards securing an action will be taken towards securing an

action will be taken towards secu armory for the Blues' Battalion."

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL VA., Dec. 21,—The Dieuds of
Hon. David F. Lary, Jee, 21,—The Dieuds of
Western District of Virginia in the second
the bill provide for another district. Wirspinia, shall become a law. In such word
would expect to be transfered from the
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Western District, has done the Republican
party in Bouthwest Virginia distinguished
service for the second promotion.

Mean Repend of Democracy

New Brand of Democracy,
John R. MoLean's paper, the Cincinnati Enguirer, announces that it will cease nenceforth to be a Democratic organ. It has no sympathy with the democracy of Bryan or with that of Parier, and one is left to infor that the only democracy it will support in the future is that of the McLean brund, which the people of Ohlo repudiated so emphatically the first time they were given a chance—Springfield Republican.

Lieutenant Peyton, Company B

LACK OF HARMONY RICHMOND MAY

Lieutenant Peyton informed the com could not devote the necessary time to the company, and considering that an two vacancies, that he thought it best that he hand in his resignation, so as the

He expressed his regrets at having to clake such action, since he was one of the charter members of the company, and was devoted to military, and especially to the Blues. Lieutenant Peyton is probably the oldest member of the company, and entered the command as a private. He served with the Blues during the Spanish American war, at which time he was a sergeant.

fact that he is in command of the company, and should he be relieved of his duties the company would be without a commander or commissioned officer.

The company has in its possession a quantity of State property, such as unforms, rifles and other equipment. The captain or commanding officer has to receipt for such things and is responsible for them to the State.

Will Not Break Up.

Since the resignations of Captain Brock

Will Not Break Up.

Since the resignations of Captain Brock and Lieutenant Hobson were filed, it has been stated that Company B was in a fair way towards breaking to pieces, but this is not the case, and there is every evidence of harmony in the company.

The only reason at all for this action on the part of the officers was that they simply could not give the necessary time to the company on account of their business arrangements. The spirit in the

sarily anxious that the election be not soon, so as they might elect officers to fill the vacancies and get down to work. The members of the organization are anxious for the proper recognition from the city and State, and consider that they should be better cared for in the way of

New Brand of Democracy.

The time to have taught Odell not to play prants with the judiciary was last November. Anything he may do now was licensed them by the people. The people should have what they yote for, even if it is something they don't something they don't something they last they yote for, even if it is something they don't something they don't ory for.—Elmira (N. Y.) Gesette.

Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Reefers at Reduced Prices.

BOYS' KNEE PANTS SUITS.

At \$1.95, worth \$3.00 and \$3.50 At \$2.45, worth \$4.00 and \$4.50

At \$3.95, worth \$5.00 and \$5.50 At \$4:45, worth \$6.00 and \$6.50

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS.

At \$3.45, worth \$5.00 At \$3.95, worth \$6.00

At \$4.95, worth \$7.50

YOUTHS' OVERCOATS

At \$4.95, worth \$ 6.75

At \$6.75, worth \$ 9.50 At \$7.50, worth \$10.00

EVERY SMOKING JACKET IN THE HOUSE AT HALF PRICE. EVERY HOLIDAY UMBRELLA IN THE HOUSE AT HALF PRICE.

Gans-Rady Company.

Fight for Juvenile Laws.

Dr. A. S. Orne Comes to Renew

CRIME INCREASES

CHILD

The Doctor will be remembered a by Mayor Taylor three years ago, and h a dead letter, upon his return bracing every State and Territory and a

Favors School Law.

a "compulsory school law," to keep the hundreds of children off the streets by day during school hours; a "curfew law," to keep the thousands children off the streets, after dark, and a "juvenile ourt law" to take charge at once of tens of thousands of homeless, helpess children, who, if left loose longer, will increased thousands of homeless, helpess children, who, if left loose longer, will increase the loose longer, will increase the loose of the loose longer, will increase the loose longer, who at once went to work to see ure one for this Christmas. The order was sent to Germany, it is said, and last Saturday night the boar's head arrived at the club. There are those who say that the club had print the loose longer, who at once went to work to see ure one for this clear, head one are the loose longer, who at once went to work to see ure one for this clear, head one is a walking stok lide to be on the document of the loose longer, who at once went to work to see ure one for this clear, he loose longer, who at once went to wor

arth.

A member of the battallon said last should satisfy the most skeptical as to the vital necessity of the enactment and enforcement of these laws."

HANOVER HINTS.

Dr. Page's Industrial School Enlarged-Feed the Birds.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MONTPELIER VA. Dec. 21.—The 1-dustrial School, founded by Dr. Thomas Nelsom Page, and taught by Migs Orr at "Hall's Free School House," has lately had an additional room built. In this school the girls are taught to cut out and make articles of clothing, do fancy work and cook; the boys are taught hortculture and carpenters' work.

More than twe-thirds of the lobacce in this community has been marketed and very satisfactory prices received.

Very little lee has been gathered.

The Sunday school of the Church of Our Savion, will have its Christmas celebration Tucsday. December 27th.

Dr. Lewis Colemia Morris, of Birmingham, Ala, and guite a number of his recides expect to spend the holiday season at Carcomont, Dr. Morris's county home and hele Christmas with their amis, Miss Benettan Misses Carven and their friend, Miss Singuey, of Richmond, will spend hele Christmas with their amis, Miss Benettan Octavia, Jones.

Mr. William Jucobs, of Stafford county, will she a store at Montpeller the first of the New Year.

Game is very scarce in this section, A few of the farmers have been trying to save some ricoks of birds by feeding them since the snow; weather set in,

Loy-Webb.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROXBORO, N. C., Dec. 21.—The landsome home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Webwas the scene of a beautiful marriage
ceremony this evening-when their gaughter. Anne Virgina, became the bride it
Mr. Jacob N. Loy, a prominent young
business man of this-place. Miss Almo
Webb, sister of the bride, was maid of
honor. Mr. Gib Loy, brother of the
groom, was the best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy will be at home to
their friends in Roxboro after January 1st.

CHRISTMAS CHEER AT WESTMORELAND

Annual Entertainment To-morrow Night-Good Old Songs to be Sung. The Westmoreland Club will hold its

Christmas entertainment to-morrow night the members and their friends fis the

most popular "stag" event of the whole White headed men are boys again for

nagan, of New York; Arr. Runni C. Johnston, Heutenant United States navy; Mr. P. H. Ayleit, of St. Louis; Hon. W. H. Schoffeld, of Los Augeles; Mr. W. Adams, of Philadelphia; Captain John Blankon, ship, of Baltimore; Mr. Donald M. Blair, of the University of Virginia.

RICHMOND, FREDERICKSBURG AND POTOMAC RAILFOAD CO., WASH'INGTON SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

NOTICE:
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Effective January 1st, 1905, round trip tickets will be sold as follows:
Estween Richmond and Washington, limit two days, in addition to date of sale; no stop-over, \$5.09.

sale; no stop-over, \$5,99.

Batween Richmond and Washington.

Ilmit five days, in addition to date of sale; stop-overs at Fredericksburg and Alexandria within limit. \$5.05.

Alexandria within limit, 25.06.

Between Richmond and Ashland, limited two days, in addition to date of sale, 75c. Between Richmond and Fredericksburg, ilmited two days, in addition to date of sale, \$2.75.

Between other stations on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Ralivoad and Washington Southern Raliway, round trip tickets will be sold at 5 cents per mile one way distance, limited two days, in addition to date of sale; no stop-oyers. The one way rates between Byrd Street Station and all stations on above roads at 3 cents per mile will be applied to and from Elba.

Commutation ticket books now good to

from Elba.
Commutation ticket books now good to and from Elba will be accepted for passage to and from Byrd Street Station.
Effective January 10th, 1965, fifty trip family tickets will be sold between Richmond and Ashland ut 310.00, limited one year from date of sale.

W. P. TAYLOR

Nothing More Appropriate Than a Ladies' Solid Gold 14K, Watch only \$19.00

Lumsden's, 731 Main Street